

Vocabulary by Shultz, in the library of this Society, and the desirableness of publishing a discussion of their relations to other MSS. existing in Europe. It appears that the language which Columbus reported to be common to all the larger islands of the W. Indies was neither Carib, nor Maya, but genuine Arawak, scarcely differing from that now spoken between the Amazon and Orinoco, not more than Chaucer's English from the English of to-day. It is an added proof that the whole fauna (man included) of the islands outside the Gulf Stream came from the Spanish Main, the movement being in the opposite direction to that of the fauna of N. America which terminated its course in Florida.

A letter and enclosed testimonial note of the proceedings of the Michaux Legacy were read, from M. Carlier, announcing the final settlement of the legacy at Paris and in Pontoise; and on motion of Mr. Chase, these documents were referred to the Committee on the Michaux Legacy with instructions to prepare the needful papers, and procure the signature of the President of this Society, and to remit funds for the expenses incurred; and they are hereby authorized to draw upon the Treasurer of the Society for the necessary amount.

A communication from the Janitor was referred to the Committee on the Hall. And the Society was adjourned.

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*Stated Meeting, May 21, 1869.*

Present, seventeen members.

MR. FRALEY, Vice-President, in the Chair.

Mr. Wharton was introduced to the presiding officer, and took his seat.

A letter returning thanks for election to membership, was received from the President of the United States, dated Executive Mansion, April 24, 1869.

A letter acknowledging the receipt of a set of the Society's

Proceedings, Vol. I to X., was received from the London Meteorological Office, May 9th, 1869, and from the R. Academy at Lisbon, acknowledging receipt of No. 77.

Donations for the Library were reported from the Berlin Academy, Dr. Jarvis, Mr. Haven, Dr. Le Conte, Prof. Coffin, the New York Canal Commissioners, Buffalo Young Men's Association, Cincinnati Observatory, and California Academy of Sciences.

The Committee on Dr. Dewey's Carices, &c., reported, recommending its publication in the Transactions, which was so ordered.

A communication and letter was received for the Magellanic Premium, read by title and regularly referred to the Board of Officers.

Dr. Horn presented for publication in the Transactions a paper entitled Revision of the Tenebrionidæ of America north of Mexico, by Geo. H. Horn, M. D., which was referred to Dr. Le Conte, Dr. Leidy and Dr. Bridges.

Mr. Lesley exhibited a photo-lithograph of a section across the Alleghany mountains, to illustrate the proportionate plication of the earth's surface to its radius. See Plate 2, Fig. 1.

Dr. Hayden's Geological Map of the Upper Missouri was exhibited, together with many sketches and photographs of scenery and structure. It was afterwards resolved, that the Secretaries be instructed to address a letter to Gen'l A. A. Humphreys, Chief Engineer U. S. A., expressing the desire of the A. P. S. to have the results of the Geological explorations made in the Territories of the U. S. by Dr. Newberry, Hayden and others, while employed by the Government, made speedily available for present use by publication at the expense of the Government, or in such other manner as may be thought expedient.

The Committee to which was referred the publication of the Choltec MS. recommended its publication in the Proceedings, under the supervision of Dr. Brinton, which was so ordered, and on motion of Mr. Price, the Secretaries were authorized to print additional copies, according to their best judgment.

And the Society was adjourned.